

# 2010 AAU Qualifier Rules

## AAU GIRLS' BASKETBALL

Minnesota AAU Invitational tournaments will be played under the 2009-2010 National Federation High School (NFHS) rules, except for the following changes:

**1. Membership:** Only AAU members may participate. All personnel sitting on the bench must have AAU athlete or non-athlete membership.

<b>2. Length of game</b>	10U - 13U	<b>14 minute halves</b>
	14U - Open	<b>16 minute halves</b>

All games will be stop time. If a game has a 20 point or greater margin with 6:00 left in the second half, the remainder of the game will be played in running time. If the margin becomes less than 15 points stop time will resume.

**3. Time outs:** Each team shall receive **3 Full timeouts per game.**

**4. Freethrows:** Players may move on release of the ball during freethrow attempts.

**5. Overtime:** The first overtime will be **3 minutes** stop time. Any additional overtime periods will be 2 minute stop time.

**6. Home/Away:** The home team is listed second in pool play and will wear dark uniforms. The visiting team is listed first in pool play and will wear light uniforms.

**7. Official Scorer** **The home team will provide the official scorer who will sit at the of official scorers table. Official score sheets, provided by MN AAU, must be used to keep score.**

**8. Forfeit Rule:** Game time is game time. There is no grace period! A team must have 5 players to start a game. In pool play, a forfeit is 13-0 for tiebreaker situations.

**9. Warm up:** A minimum of **4 minutes** will be given for pre-game warm up. Games can start early with mutual consent of both coaches and officials.

**10. Halftime:** Halftime will be **4 minutes.** The site director may reduce halftime if the court is running behind schedule.

<b>11. Basketballs:</b>	Boys' Divisions:	8U/2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade - 12U/6 <sup>th</sup> Grade	<b>28.5</b>
		13U/7 <sup>th</sup> Grade – 19U/Sr Boys	<b>Full Size</b>
	Girls' Divisions:	All ages and grade divisions	<b>28.5</b>

**12. Coaches Box:** Only the head coach may stand in the coach's box. If no box is marked, the officials shall designate the area. A bench technical shall remove the right to use the coaches box (head coach must remain seated).

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- AAU Responsibilities:** Any questions, comments, or concerns regarding the schedule, officials, eligibility of athletes, etc. should be directed to  
**McCain Rosonke**  
**612-290-6240**  
**[mccain@ausports.org](mailto:mccain@ausports.org)**
- 13. Host Responsibilities:** Any questions, comments, or concerns regarding the facility or host staff should be directed to the site director.
- 14. Sportsmanship:** MN AAU recognizes the importance of sportsmanship in providing a competitive environment that is positive and fun! MN AAU keeps a file on each team/coaching staff and each game official. Disciplinary Action will be taken for those who display poor behavior!
- 15. Three Strike Rule for coaches:** When MN AAU has received written notice from officials or tournament staff concerning unsportsmanlike behavior during 3 games, MN AAU contacts the coach involved and places him/her on probation (**strike one**). If 2 additional written notices are posted to the team/coaching staff, the offending coach will be suspended for one weekend (**strike two**). The next written notice of unsportsmanlike behavior will result in suspension for the year (**strike three**). Coaches may protest the disciplinary action taken in writing to **[mccain@ausports.org](mailto:mccain@ausports.org)**.
- 16. Three Strike Rule for officials:** When MN AAU has received written notice from coaches or tournament staff concerning unsportsmanlike behavior during 3 games, MN AAU contacts the official involved and places him/her on probation (**strike one**). If 2 additional written notices are posted to the official, the official involved will be suspended for one weekend (**strike two**). The next written notice of unsportsmanlike behavior will result in suspension for the year (**strike three**). Officials may protest the disciplinary action taken in writing to **[mccain@ausports.org](mailto:mccain@ausports.org)**.
- 17. Protests:** The judgement of the game officials is final. Protests will be accepted for eligibility issues and rules violations. All protests must be in writing. Email protests to: **[mccain@ausports.org](mailto:mccain@ausports.org)**, or mail to: **Minnesota AAU, 1001 Hwy 7, Hopkins, MN 55305.**

**There will be an EMT on site at Kennedy High School and Activity Center in the event of major injuries. Basic first aid and care of athletes (including ankle/wrist taping) is the responsibility of each team.**